

Southwinds Homeowners Association

Special Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2017

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm on June 15, 2017 at Essex Elementary School.

II. The following Homeowners were present:

Bonanno, Brochu, Decrecentis, Eppard, Flynn, Kearns, Levene, MacMillian, Monaco, Polito, Serverance, and Sexton

III. Discussion: Dam & Spillway

Discussed Payment to have dam and spillway inspected which is required by the state. It was decided that the funds from the approved budget would pay for the inspection \$2800 (approved budget \$3,000 for the two owners of the dam and SWHOA owners of the spillway). Adrienne Brochu will send in \$800 for deposit to Lenard Engineering to begin the DEEP inspection.

Lenard Engineering, Inc., Winsted, CT^ will inspect the dam before the end of December, 2017. The state requires the information by March 28, 2018.

Thank you to Ed McCaffrey for updating Essex Town records of Birch Mill Pond dam and spillway survey. Adrienne approved \$55 expenditure and John Shepard paid bill.

Trees on Path to Pond

Some trees and limbs are rotted out and there is concern for those walking the trail to the pond. Since we do not have a budgeted line for this, Peter Bonanno and Fred Decrecentis will loan \$125 each to be paid back out of the 2018 Budget. \$250 will come from the 2017 Budget. The remaining bill of \$550 will be deferred until January, 2018 following the annual meeting of the SWHOA. Total cost \$1,050. Edward Gardiner, who will do the work, is in agreement with this payment.

Trees along RT 153 and Old Middlesex Clinic lights: SWHOA Landscape Committee will discuss with Middlesex Hospital the planting of evergreen trees along Rt 153 and light. There will be a discussion and status at the Annual Meeting.

III. ByLaws:

Thank you to Att: Michael Bonacorsa for reviewing bylaws with Adrienne and discussing DEEP inspection and payment with Att: Cassella.

Discussion of the bylaws to approve SWHOA President to raise the \$250 expenditure to \$1,000. This increase is for bylaws rewrite by Att. Ed Cassella and unexpected expenditures.

IV. Miscellaneous:

Cars, speeding through the neighborhood, were discussed. Adrienne Brochu will reach out to the police regarding traffic control from Birch Mill Trail at Mares Hill to Southwinds at Rt 153.

Thank you to Stuart Fisher (SWHOA web master) who set up friendly meeting reminders and teleconference call for members who couldn't attend the meeting in person.

Dianne Sexton

Secretary